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SUBJECT: CANADIAN WESTCOAST SALMON FISHERMAN END STRIKE

SUMMARY: ON MONDAY JULY 16 BRITISH COLUMBIA S SALMON NET FISHERMEN, TENDERMEN, AND SHOREWORKERS RESUMED WORK AFTER A TEN DAY SHUTDOWN OF THE INDUSTRY.

ALTHOUGH PRESS REPORTS CHARACTERIZED THE SETTLEMENT AS ONLY MARGINALLY BETTER THAN THE OFFER TURNED DOWN JULY 12, UNION LEADERS CLAIMED THAT THE SHOREWORKERS PACKAGE WITH WAGE HIKE UP TO 68.8 PERCENT OVER A TWO YEAR PERIOD WAS QUOTE BY FAR THE BEST EVER OBTAINED IN THE FISHING INDUSTRY UNQUOTE. END SUMMARY

1. MR. JOHN NICHOL, FINANCIAL SECRETARY OF THE UFAWU SUMMARIZED FOR THE CONGEN THE MAJOR ELEMENTS OF THE SETTLEMENT FOR SHOREWORKERS AND TENDERMEN. SHOREWORKERS - A GENERAL 80 CENT HOURLY WAGE HIKE THIS YEAR PLUS 74 CENTS IN 1974 ON A MALE BASE RATE OF DOLLARS 3.26 AN HOUR PLUS SPECIAL ADJUSTMENTS OF UP TO 37 CENTS FOR SOME CLASSIFICATIONS, EQUAL PAY FOR WOMEN - WITH MEN DOING SIMILAR WORK, DOUBLETIME FOR SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS, AND IMPROVED VACATION, HEALTH AND WELFARE PROTECTION.

TENDERMEN - AN INCREASE OF DOLLARS 140.000 PER MONTH THIS YEAR PLUS DOLLARS 120.00 PER MONTH NEXT YEAR, 1.14 DAYS OF LEAVE FOR EACH DAY WORKED (14 DAYS PER MONTH), AND FOOD AND BOARD ALLOWANCE FORMERLY DOLLARS 3.25 PER DAY TO BE INCREASED TO DOLLARS 4.50 THIS YEAR AND DOLLARS 5.00 NEXT YEAR.

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2. MR. JERRY SPITZ, SECRETARY MANAGER, DESIGNATE, OF THE FISHERIES

ASSN. OF B.C. HAS PROVIDED THE NEW PRICES PER POUND TO BE PAID TO
THE FISHERMEN FOR SALMON IN CANADIAN DOLLARS:

SPECIE	1973	1974
SOCKEYE	DOLLARS.50	DOLLARS.52
COHOE	.40	.42
PINK	.20	.22
BRIGHT CHUMS	.26	.27
CHUMS	.23 1/2	.24 1/2
RED SPRINGS(12 LBS.AND OVER)	.62	.65
RED SPRINGS(CANNING GRADE)	.40	.42
WHITE SPRINGS	.23 1/2	.24 1/2
JACK SPRINGS	.40 PER FISH	.40 PER FISH

AN ADDITIONAL 3/10 CENT PER LB. WILL BE ADDED TO EACH OF THE ABOVE
PRICES TO COVER FISHERMENS WELFARE.

3. INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES ALTHOUGH PLEASED THAT THE STRIKE HAS
ENDED HAVE EXPRESSED REGRET THAT SOME OF THE BEST FISHING OF THE
SEASON

ESTIMATED AT AROUND DOLLARS 2 MILLION, HAS BEEN LOST.

4. FULL DETAILS OF THE SETTLEMENT WILL BE AIRPOUCHED AS SOON AS
AVAILABLE.

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